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Mr. Roger Jones
Assistant Director for Legislative Reference
Bureau of the Budget
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Jones:

Attached are proposed regulations for the award of the National Security Medal for the President's signature in accordance with the terms of the proposed Executive Order previously forwarded to you. Also forwarded herewith is a letter designating the Director of Central Intelligence as the person authorized to make an award of the National Security Medal. This again is in accordance with provisions of the Executive Order.

Since it appears that the Director might not have time to see the President on this, would it be possible to submit them for signature through ordinary channels so that President Truman can sign them in conformity with his Executive Order?

If feasible, the Director would prefer to have the authorizing letter a confidential communication. If not, at least we would like limited distribution and no publication.

Very truly yours,

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